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Applicant: Schade, Deborah A. et al.) Group Art Unit: 1617
Serial No.: 09/381,484) Examiner: Shengjun Wang
Filed: February 28, 2000) Deposit Account: 50-1196
For: Use of Docosahexaenoic Acid)
And Arachidonic Acid Enhancing)
The Growth of Preterm Infants)

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AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2002, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in light of the following amendments and arguments, and allow the pending claims. The present Amendment is being submitted with a one-month Request for Extension of Time, and the corresponding fees to extend the period to respond to September 9, 2002, the first working day after Saturday, September 7, 2002.

In the Specification:

Please replace the specification with the attached substitute specification filed pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(a). The substitute specification incorporates the following amendments to the original specification: